

# BRITISH BATTALIONS BATTER AT GERMAN REDOUTS

## CHARGE OF ENGLISH TOMMIES SUPPORTED BY MORE CANNON THAN EVER USED PREVIOUSLY

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN FRANCE, Aug. 19. (Via London, Aug. 19.)—What two battalions did and how they did it was the most thrilling incident of the last 24 hours of conventional fighting from the Ancre to the Somme. The struggle went on in fresh August weather, with alternate cloudbursts and flashes of lightning, rainbows and sunshine.

All along the line from the south of the Ancre, the British left their trenches while the French were hard at it on their right. The time came at five o'clock yesterday afternoon when the big attacks of July 1 and 14 were in the early morning.

Two battalions were on the left with more guns to help them, probably, than any two battalions that ever made a charge. One hundred cannon were engaged in making a curtain of fire on their front while other were busy with other details of the staff plan. Nothing in the whole offensive was so dramatically staged or came off with greater success.

The Germans still held on in their old first line trenches where their machine guns brought up from destroyed dugouts held out the British on July 1, while the British right swung on this section as a pivot through Containville and Ploeghem.

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## Decisive Developments Soon Expected in Strike Situation TWO BRITISH CRUISERS SUNK BY SUBS

### PATROLS EXCHANGE SHOTS

NACO, Ariz., Aug. 20.—Over a hundred shots were exchanged across the international line about a mile west of here last night between patrols belonging to the colored troops from the District of Columbia and a party on the Mexican side. The British were who they halted some Mexicans, who attempted to cross the line. In answer to the challenge, the Mexicans fired. In the fusillade that followed the only casualty was the wounding of one of the Mexicans who had tried to cross. He is now a prisoner in the camp of the colored troops.

### STORM REPORTS SHOW THAT MORE PEOPLE KILLED

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
LONDON, Aug. 21.—Two British light cruisers, the Nottingham and Palmetto, were sunk Saturday in the North Sea by German submarines, while the vessels were searching for the high seas fleet, according to an official announcement issued by the admiralty shortly before midnight. One German submarine was destroyed by the British, while another was rammed and possibly sunk, according to the admiralty statement, which follows:

"Reports from our lookout squadron and their units showed that there was considerable activity on the part of the enemy in the North Sea Saturday, the 19th.

"The German high seas fleet came out, but having found their scouts, the British force were in considerable strength, the enemy avoided an engagement and returned to port.

"In searching for the enemy we lost seven of our own crew and a cruiser, the Nottingham, and a destroyer, the Palmetto, were sunk. Captain C. H. Miller, and H. M. S. Palmetto, Captain John Edwards.

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### WAR HONORS DIVIDED EVENLY BETWEEN FOES

The German high seas fleet has appeared in the North Sea and in a clash between German submarines and British scout ships, two British light cruisers have been sent to the bottom. The western front, the French continue to press forward in the vicinity of the region Fleury. The British report the repulse of German counter attacks and the capture of a portion of trenches north of Bazentin-le-Petit.

In the east, the Russians are apparently centering their efforts on the new drive toward Kovle. Berlin admits that General Brusiloff's troops have crossed the Stokhod at one point and Petrograd says that the Russians have pushed on beyond the river and captured a series of heights on the road to Kovle. Fierce fighting continues on the crest of the Carpathians where the Russians are making a series of attacks on the Hungarian plains. No indication has been given, however, of the strength of the forces engaged in this region and it is uncertain as yet whether General Brusiloff is making a serious effort to invade Hungary.

The offensive on the Saloniki front is slowly developing and the fight is growing in intensity on the 150-mile battle line from Lake Prespa to Lake Doiran. Both sides claim minor successes but apparently no action of first importance has occurred.

### CANDIDATE HUGHES RESTING; GOV. JOHNSON FAILS TO CALL, THOUGH PRESENT IN SAME HOTEL

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
LOS ANGELES, Aug. 20.—Charles E. Hughes spent a strenuous day of rest in Los Angeles today. He reached the city shortly before 10 o'clock from San Francisco, where he held a public reception at his hotel, took a hundred-mile motor ride, visiting Pasadena and Long Beach, stopped at the Los Angeles museum on the way back and did not reach his hotel tonight until more than an hour after he had expected to do so.

At Long Beach Mr. Hughes spent half an hour in the hotel at which Governor Johnson was visiting, but did not meet him.

Governor Johnson remained in his room until 10 o'clock, when he was photographed beside the skeleton of a mastodon, estimated to be 20,000 years old, which was recovered recently from a bed of natural asphalt near the city. He left at midnight for San Diego, where he will speak tomorrow afternoon. His program calls for an address here tomorrow night.

Governor Johnson reached the hotel at Long Beach shortly after 4 o'clock, having motored from Eureka, where he made a speech last night. Mr. Hughes and his party reached the hotel shortly after 5 o'clock.

During the time that Mr. Hughes was at the hotel Governor Johnson remained in his room, chatting with friends. It was said authoritatively that Governor Johnson did not know that Mr. Hughes had been at the hotel and that the governor did not know last night when he reserved rooms at the hotel that Mr. Hughes was expected there today.

Mr. Hughes and his wife made a short call on the widow of former President Garfield and later Mr. Hughes made a number of short stops. The first of these, at Pasadena, was to greet a group of children at the Boys and Girls Aid Society Home. The second stop was at Long Beach, where he made a short call on the widow of former President Garfield and later Mr. Hughes made a number of short stops.

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### TELEGRAMS MADE PUBLIC GIVING WILSON'S STAND

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—President Wilson's week of conferences with ranking officials of the railroads and leaders of their employees, threatening a nation-wide strike, are believed by all parties to the controversy to have brought the situation to a point where decisive developments may be expected within a few days.

While the negotiations took no actual forward step today, the president replied indirectly to contentions of the road officials that the principle of arbitration would be endangered by his plan for putting the eight-hour basic day into effect while a commission investigates its practicability and passes upon other points at issue. In a telegram made public at the White House the president declared he held firmly to arbitration as a principle and that his plan strengthened rather than weakened it. He also said that some means must be found to prevent the existing situation from ever arising again.

Meantime, the road officials, who have tentatively refused to accept Mr. Wilson's proposal, continued conferences among themselves. The labor leaders, who already have approved the proposal, are working to secure a definite decision from the employers.

The president's telegram defending his plan was in reply to an appeal from George Peck, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, urging that the principle of arbitration be preserved in the strike negotiations. Mr. Peck's telegram follows:

"Hartford, Conn., August 18.  
"The President:  
"On behalf of thirty-seven hundred manufacturing organizations employing three million persons and utterly dependent upon uninterrupted railroad service for their continued operation, I beg to at once express our deep appreciation of your efforts to prevent the threatened destructive stoppage of national railroads and to respect the fully urge that you will with all the power of your great office and personality assert and maintain the principle of arbitration for industrial disputes affecting national interests. No just demand can fear such a test; no unfair demand can or should survive it. I sincerely believe no man in our history has so nobly served his country as to fortify this essential principle of public security against future attack by employer or employee.

"GEORGE PECK,  
"President, National Association of Manufacturers."  
The president replied:

"Allow me to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of August 18 and to say that I hold to the principle of arbitration with as clear a conviction and as firm a purpose as anyone, but unfortunately there is no means now in existence by which arbitration can be secured and the existing means have been tried and have failed. This situation must never be allowed to arise again, but it has arisen. Some means must be found to prevent its recurrence, but no means can be found (at least in a hurry or in season) to meet the present national emergency.

"What I am proposing does not weaken or discredit the principle of arbitration. It strengthens it rather, by proposing the use of the principle except the eight-hour day, to which the whole economic movement of the time seems to point, and the immediate creation of an agency for determining all the arbitrable elements in this case in the light of new predictions or forecasts, but of established and ascertained facts. This is the first stage of the direct road to the discovery of the best permanent basis for arbitration when other means than those now available are supplied."

There were no outward developments today pending arrival of the additional railroads. The president's week of conferences with ranking officials of the railroads and leaders of their employees, threatening a nation-wide strike, are believed by all parties to the controversy to have brought the situation to a point where decisive developments may be expected within a few days.

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### New Zeppelins Protected Against Air-Craft Guns

BERLIN, Aug. 19. (Via London, Aug. 19, 5:15 p. m. Delayed.)—The principal improvement in the larger Zeppelins in addition to their great carrying capacity, is their increased proof against aircraft guns, according to an official. The officer said that measures taken by the British to protect themselves have improved recently under a more effective use of searchlights. Objective of air raid craft, he said, were only military establishments, munitions works and

### CHICAGO BANKER SKIPS WITH CASH; BROTHER LEFT DESTITUTE

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 20.—Adolph Silver, founder and former head of a Chicago private bank which closed last week after the alleged default of Max Silver, his brother, arrived here today from Calistoga, Cal., and announced his intention of returning at once to Chicago.

Silver who is 25 years old, came to California five weeks ago for the purpose of securing a loan of \$25,000. He turned the business over to his brother.

His brother, he said, agreed to pay him \$400 a month as long as he lived and gave him a note for \$25,000 as a guarantee that he would carry out the agreement.

Silver said that his brother paid the \$400 for four months, and the failure of the bank would leave him penniless. He said that his brother had been in the bank for about six months and had never reached their intended destination. Several hundred depositors gathered in front of the apartment building where Silver lived today, but were dispersed by police.

### Harvest Finished Wheat Supply of World is Short

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
ROME, Aug. 20.—The International Institute of Agriculture reports that the wheat supply of the world is short. The institute reports that the wheat supply of the world is short. The institute reports that the wheat supply of the world is short.

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### NAVAL ROOKIES DROP GOOD TIMES AND TAKE UP NAUTICAL COURSE

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
ON BOARD U. S. S. VIRGINIA,  
SOUTH OF NEWPORT, Aug. 19.—The first of the John Paul Jones cruise for cruises on the reserve ships of the Atlantic fleet was an adventure subside into work. At least, it was that on the Virginia which carried 300 recruits who shipped at Boston.

At noon Tuesday the ship steamed into Newport, greeted three other battleships assembled there with salutes and music and after a stay of scarcely more than an hour, headed down the coast toward Long Island.

As the long shore line faded away, one rookie remarked: "They are waiting for me to play tennis there today with Washington, but I don't care. Washington is about too."

It was E. C. Ingram of Berkeley, Cal., who ranks somewhere well among the players of the country. He entered Annapolis from Dartmouth this fall and is taking the cruise to get the spirit of the game.

Tuesday evening the Virginia cast anchor at the rendezvous in Gardiner's bay, and the crew celebrated when the word was passed that the ship was the first of the reserve fleet to arrive. The Pennsylvania was already at anchor for a short stay, and in her super-dreadnaught supremacy. As one of the strongest of the first line, she ranks in a higher class than the Virginia which, although ten years old, is ashamed of her age.

Wednesday morning the real work began. Squadrons were detailed to man the big guns. Later there was a boat drill and in the afternoon classes were formed for practical and theoretical instruction.

A full crew from among the volunteers reported for each big gun. Men were stationed in the shell room for the lifts to load, aim and fire the

### Single Taxers to Raise Fund for National Fight

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]  
NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Aug. 20.—The American single tax advocates at their annual conference here today, decided upon the organization of an international fund for the commission in place of the Joseph Pils Fund, whose activities have been confined to the United States. Mrs. Fels of Philadelphia was empowered to name a committee to work out the plan for the international organization. New York City will be the headquarters of the fund.

The single taxers are planning an active campaign in all the states. James H. Griffies of Los Angeles reported that the California single taxers would make a fight at the November election for a constitutional amendment for the single tax.

Robert A. MacAuley and Jerome C. Fels of Philadelphia said the party had a full ticket in the field in Pennsylvania.